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January 14, 1983

Mr. Thomas N. Tetting
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Re: Four Corners Mine,
Wood Lease Mine,
Cane Creek Mine,
Happy Jack Mine,
Calligham, Sage Mine,
Far West Mine,
Standard I Mine,
Cactus Rat Mine, and
Snow Mine.

Dear Mr. Tetting:

I am writing in response to your two letters dated December 8, 1982 concerning the reviews of the above-referenced mines' files. I have responded to your questions and requests individually by number on the enclosed sheets.

Due to recent reorganization of personnel and office space at Atlas, I am unable to submit any maps at this time. Once the reorganization is complete (within three to four months) I will be able to supply the Division with any necessary maps. We trust the maps the Division currently has on file are sufficient to allow completion of the contract negotiations.

Atlas proposes the following approach to finalize the seed list issue:

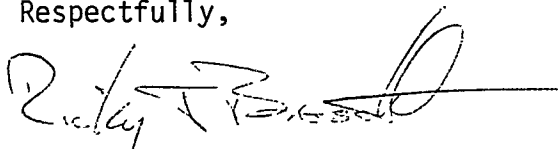
- The seed mix to be used during reclamation of a particular mine is the mix specified in the Mining and Reclamation Plan for that mine. If that mix has been amended through suggestions from the Division which have been concurred with by Atlas, then that amended list is to be used.
- Atlas will obtain prior approval from the Division to use an alternative seed list, such as one recommended in the MK Report, at a particular mine if desirous.

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We trust this approach will be acceptable to the Division. The issue of Atlas' commitment to initiating reclamation at a particular mine will be addressed in a separate letter. Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ricky J. Broschat", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ricky J. Broschat

RJB:cf
Enclosures.

cc: R. Blubaugh

CACTUS RAT MINE -- ACT/019/009

1. No annual Operations and Progress Reports have been filed for the years 1978-1980, since the Mining and Reclamation Plan has not yet received approval. The only correspondence after February 1978 contained in my file is a letter of February 8, 1978 (not February 14, 1978). I assume this is the one you are requesting and am enclosing a copy of that letter.
2. The map submitted with the letter of February 8, 1978 is the most recent map of surface facilities available for the Cactus Rat Mine, and should be considered current.

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February 8, 1978

Mr. K. Michael Thompson
State of Utah
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

RE: Cactus Rat Act/019/009

Dear Mike:

In regard to your letter dated January 20, 1978; highwalls will be graded to a stable slope of 2 to 1 or less. Existing pits will be backfilled with spoil as mining progresses. A sufficient buffer zone adjacent to the existing drainages will be maintained to preserve drainage integrity during all phases of mining, including reclamation.

Mining will progress in south easterly direction for the next two to three years and then reverse direction and continue for an additional year (see enclosed map). I must emphasize again that due to the nature of the ore occurrences it is next to impossible for us to lay out a well organized system of strip pits and time tables. Also, because of the rapidly changing economics in uranium mining today, final reclamation, including reseedling, will not take place until our mining department is satisfied that all ore reserves are totally depleted on the applied for area. This is estimated to be in the neighborhood of eight years.

I hope that this information will be sufficient for your needs. As always, if I can be of any assistance to you, please call. Thank you.

Sincerely,

John Hunerjager
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